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Reason Postponement.

The Metropolitan Association staged the Balmain Fernleigh-West Wallsend match. The N.D.B.F.A. refused to alter its fixtures and release West Wallsend. The N.S.W. Association Executive were unable to order match to be played because resolution stated match to be played, "if possible."

DID YOU KNOW THAT

W. Maunder, the crack centre forward did not play with West Wallsend last Saturday as he is nursing an injured leg.

That eye witnesses aver that three of the goals scored against Granville were questionable, especially the penalty kick which decided the game; it it alleged it was a shocking decision.

The decision of the controlling authorities in connection with the tour of the Chinese footballers to allocate the proceeds of the match to charity met with universal commendation.

The Chinese played a 2-2 draw with the same Maitland team as defeated New Zealand 4-1, and Victoria 5-0.

The game was played at Abermain—a good ground—but it was raining all the afternoon.

Our "friend" up north, Larry Tamlyn, although a N.S.W. selector and the N.D.B.F.As. representative on the N.S.W. council is not on the management committee of the N.D.B.F.A.

The gate of £440 at Wollongong for the Chinese match was over 100 per cent. above anything previously received. The I.D.S.A. are very pleased with the prospects for the future.

The match for the Wednesday, the 26th September, has been definitely arranged between a metropolitan team and the Chinese. Balmain Fernleigh who have insistently earned their claims for consideration have applied for the right to play the Chinese at Harden on the date set down.

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GARDINER CUP.

WEST WALLSEND v. GRANVILLE.

From the Newcastle "Herald."

West Wallsend and Granville met at the Tramway Ground on Saturday in their Gardiner Cup tie, which proved a brilliant game. At full time there was a 2-2 draw, and extra time was played. West Wallsend were awarded a penalty kick, which H. Maunders converted. The decision met with a mixed reception. The visitors were at full strength, but West Wallsend were without the services of their crack centre forward, W. Maunders, who was nursing an injured leg.

The teams lined up as follows :—

West Wallsend :—J. Coutts (goal), James and H. Maunders (backs), Smith, Hayes, and Coolahan (half-backs), M'Laughlan, Sinclair, Ross, Muir, and Coates (forwards).

Granville :—E. Aitchison (goal), Doherty and C. Leabeater (backs), Spurway, Henderson, and L. Leabeater (half-backs), Ramsay, Milner, Doerner, (Winter, and Bourke (forwards).

Referee, W. Stott.

West Wallsend winning the toss, set Granville to kick down the slope. The first few minutes the play was very even, both sets of backs having to clear from the opposing forwards. Granville's work was, however, the neater, and they assumed the upper hand. Milner made a nice run, and sent out to Ramsay, who crossed to Doerner, but Hayes intercepted and cleared. The ball was returned, and Bourke tricked Smith before sending in, James booting clear. Granville secured a corner. This was well placed, and the ball was only partially cleared. It was returned, and H. Maunders slipped. Milner was handy, and with a good shot he opened the score. Granville 1, West Wallsend 0.

After this reverse the locals played harder, but Doherty and C. Leabeater both cleared, and Henderson sent further forward to Winter, who lost to Hayes. The ball then went to the left wing, where Sinclair secured ; he tricked L. Leabeater, and put in a good shot. Aitchison got to the ball, but failed to hold it, and if passed over his arm into the net. West Wallsend 1, Granville 1. From the centre kick West Wallsend returned to the attack, and from Coates' good cross Ross headed over, while Muir put just past the post. At the other end Bourke made a good run ; he beat Smith and across, Maunders sending clear. West Wallsend took play to Granville's goal, and Aitchison saved from Sinclair. When Coolahan returned Muir was too slow, and the ball passed behind. West Wallsend took the lead when a rally took place in the Granville goal mouth. Sinclair put to Ross, while C. Leabeater kicked the ball on to the attacking centre, from whom it seemed a second later from Milner. Winter returned, and Hayes, putting to Muir, that player gave to Coates, but Doherty returned his cross. The ball went to L. Leabeater, out to Bourke, who centred. Coutts jumped out of his goal, but missed the ball, and Doerner touched to Ramsay, who netted with a careful shot. Granville 2, West Wallsend 2. Play was still fast and exciting, but no further goals

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were not bright,
So the next time they pick a team, we'll
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We won the first test easy, we beat
them three to nil ;
They said, "We'll beat them next
time," but we are victorious still;
Our hardest game was Ipswich, a hard
and sturdy lot.
But the goal given against us will never
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We went down to a camp drive to have
a merry night ;
A lad said, "Have a programme," and
poor Judy Masters he did bite.
The cabby said, "A cab, sirs," and all
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And we only went one hundred yards,
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"Lau, the Chinese goalie, in trying to punch away a high cross by Thompson, felled one of his backs with a nasty uppercut."—Coming to the point

"The Chinese put in some excellent work and were shooting from all angles."—But not at a right angle.

"We thought that a strong Ipswich team was going to oppose the Chinese, but now we understand that they have 'Nunn.'"

"Peter Head has been suspended for nine months"—A sore Head.

"'Kewpie,' that fine little player, had little more than his braces on."—The bare idea.

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SOUTH COAST SUSPENSION.

J. MASTERS and P. HEAD.

Report of Protest and Disqualification Committee.

Published in the "South Coast Times."

Referee Horton had J. Masters and P. Hunter up; he charged Hunter with indecent language; this case was dismissed. Masters was charged with threatening to throw Horton in the creek and attempting to do so, by taking him by the wrists. Masters denied the charge, but the committee believed otherwise; Masters was suspended for all League comp. games this year. Horton also had P. Head up for assault; he claimed that Head struck him during the progress of a game; Head admitted so, but was sorry, as he did it on the spur of the moment; he said he had nothing against Horton. However, the committee stood him down for nine months, from 3rd September. This is unfortunate for Coledale, as they rely a great deal on Head to win the Gardiner Cup.

State Association's Views.

The N.S.W. Association considered the question of the suspension at the last week end and it was desired that "it be an instruction to the Illawarra District Soccer Association that it was in error in post-dating the suspensions and that they should have become operative at least from the moment of infliction; further that every affiliated association be informed that they are prohibited from suspending a player from a specific or matches; they must be suspended from football for the period laid down."

A PROTEST.

(To the South Coast Times.)

Sir,—Through the sporting columns of your valuable paper I wish to draw attention to the decisions arrived at by the P. and D. Committee re the disqualification of Masters, Head, and Hunter, and the biassed way in the execution by the committee of the carrying out of their decisions. Firstly I may mention re Head's disqualification, he being disqualified for 12 months for a gross assault on referee and linesman respectively, and then being allowed to participate in a game on Saturday last. Now, committee wake up and realise that the seriousness of the act deserves the harvest any offender shall reap, and therefore for the good and cleanliness of the code use sound judgment, the one course

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hat leads to fair sport. Exercise your powers more consistently, and don't respect certain clubs and down others, because unanimously we should be one consolidated union of the sporting world. So as our motto will be success, the one motto essential in the code. You as a committee are elected in your respective positions to keep the sport clean, and be unbiassed in your judgment.

Re Masters' disqualification, and the biassed way the committee had of dealing with it. Now, Masters, to my knowledge has always been a shining light in the world of Soccer, and at the same time a thorn in many. Now, sports, seeing they have got the thorn out to suit themselves, see how they'll go! It was not the act altogether he is supposed to have committed, but he's needed to be out for their sake, and to exclude him they have concocted this. Well, gentlemen, it's plainly seen disqualification amounts to club games only. The person supposed to be interfered with two years ago participated in a squabble similar, but carried it farther by striking the referee of that game. Perhaps he forgets that, out in an unbiassed way the decisions you arrive at, not make more of one member than you do of another, but to treat each individual that may appear before you to a fair hearing, and as the act so deserves, mete your judgment out. Then the code will prove a financial success, also a sporty feeling will exist where now by acts of this kind consternation and disgust predominates.—Yours, etc.,

JUSTICE.

BRITISH TEAM.

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(Blue with Gold Sash.)

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4—J. Watson (Capt.)
8—J. Simmons **10—J. Cohen**
7—A. Righton **9—J. McKinney**
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C. Callaghan

1—S. Griffith **2—W**
3—A. Stringer **5—G. F**
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6—C. Mace **10—**
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METROPOLITAN CHAMPIONSHIP.

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RESERVES:
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EARLY MATCH—1.45 p.m. SUNLIGHT CUP FINAL

SUNLIGHT v. WEST SYDNEY

REFEREE: MR. [illegible]TES.

SUNLIGHT.
(Blue and White Stripes.)

GOALKEEPER:
V. JOHNSON.

FULL BACKS:
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WEST SYDNEY.
(Red and Blue Halves.)

GOALKEEPER:
N. VERITY.

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MANAGER'S REPORT.

QUEENSLAND TOUR.

Mr. W. Cunningham, Manager of the N.S.W. team in Queensland submitted the following report to the last meeting of the N.S.W. Association.

Arrival and Accommodation

We arrived at Brisbane 6.30 p.m. and were met at Ipswich by the Secretary Q.F.A. (Mr. Fisher), and were taken to the Netherway Boarding House, North Quay, a splendid place with which we were well satisfied.

Practice.

Practice was indulged in in the mornings; the boys were in good nick and no trouble was given at all.

Photographs.

The photograph of team was taken on Saturday morning. I would not allow photos to be taken at intervals of matches under any consideration.

Amusement and Entertainment.

Attended Friday night, Bohemia Theatre.

Sunday, motor drive to Cleveland.

Monday, entertained by Referees' Union Social.

Tuesday, Thistle Club entertains to social and dance.

Thursday, at Stadium, Amateur Championship.

Matches Played and Goal Scorers.

v. Queensland (1st Test). N.S.W. 3 goals, Q. nil (Ward 1, Gilmore 1, Masters 1).

v. Brisbane, N.S.W. 4 goals, Brisbane nil (Veigel, 3, Masters 1).

v. Ipswich, Draw 2 goals each (McLaughlan and Masters).

v. Queensland (Second Test). N.S.W. 5, Queensland 2 (Gilmore 2, Masters, 1, McLaughlan 1, Ward, 1).

v. Tamworth, N.S.W. 12, Tamworth nil, (every player except goal-keeper).

Total goals for 26, against 4.

Games Played by Players.

Boyle 5, Crum 3, Oliver 3, Johnstone 4, Creighton 3, Spurway 3, Rees 3, Ward 4, Masters 5, Gilmore 4, McLaughlan 4, Muir 3, Veigel 2, G. Storey 4, Winter 3.

Comments on Players.

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Presentations.

Presentations were made by the team to M. J. Hildreth and myself, as manager, of an enlarged photo of team.

Comment.

Comment was made by officials of Q.F.A. about the teams being adver-

meet the Chinese team, and I may say it was not very heartening for myself as manager. I claim reporters should be very wary of public criticism as they might do more harm than good; at any rate it was not a sporting spirit of criticism.

Impressions.

First, Gentlemen, let me state that the change of travelling from second to first class in my opinion was a great asset and it contributed to the success of the tour. I may say it was commented on by members of the team, who had previously travelled to Queensland, and also by players of the Queensland Association. Not one word was said adversely by the officials of the Q.F.A.; they realised that the right thing was being done by the players.

Then, gentlemen, regarding the treatment we received while in Queensland, words cannot express the gratitude of the members of the team for the kindness and courtesy shown to us by officials of the Associations and every one concerned, and I am sure the people must have gone out of their way to make us happy and comfortable.

I have to express my gratitude too, to every member of the team for the way they helped me to carry out my

SOUTH AUSTRALIA

CHINESE VISIT.

Extracts from S.A. Newspapers.

LEAGUE REFUSES ADELAIDE OVAL.

"We Stand for the Australian Game."

On Saturday, October 6, the team of Chinese Soccer players, which is on a tour of Australia, will play in Adelaide against a representative Australian eleven. The South Australian Soccer Association recently wrote to the South Australian Football League, asking it to postpone its fixtures on that date to permit the international Soccer match to be played at the Adelaide Oval, but at a meeting of the League on Monday evening, the request was refused by a unanimous vote.

The secretary (Mr. F. Marlow) remarked, after having read the letter, that the day in question would be the date of the premiership match.

Mr. F. K. Gould (Sturt): I move, that if there are any ties up to December, the Soccer Association be allowed the next date.

Mr. J. J. Daly (West Torrens): I think we should define our attitude. We should inform the Soccer Association that we stand for the Australian game of football, and we regret that we are unable to comply with their request. There is no doubt that they want to know where we stand, and we should let them know it. We stand for the Australian game. Never mind about Soccer or any other game. I suggest that the letter should be "received," and that we inform this body that we cannot see our way clear to grant this request.

Mr. F. K. Gould (Sturt), in seconding, said: "We have had a hard enough job to get the Cricket Association to give us the Adelaide Oval on the first Saturday in October. Cricket starts in October, and we cannot ask the association to do any more."

Mr. Daly's motion was unanimously agreed to.

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person of unbounded good nature, domitable courage, wide sympath and exemplary candour, a practi philosopher and the friend of other honest men. Splendid gen osity to his opponents is his dist guishing characteristic either in v tory or defeat; an heroic mode governs him in thought, in spe and in deed. Here is a definition the new meaning of an old w which might be abundantly justif by citations from the speeches almost any eloquent president o well-conducted football club. ideal is set forth which is sufficien exalted to give to the playing games a notable moral significa superadded to the value of act participation in sport as an aid physical well-being. It would b lamentable thing if any of the h professions of the sporting fratern should ever be open to the suspic of cant.

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Impressions.

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LEAGUE REFUSES ADELAIDE OVAL.

"We Stand for the Australian Game."

On Saturday, October 6, the team of Chinese Soccer players, which is on a tour of Australia, will play in Adelaide against a representative Australian eleven. The South Australian Soccer Association recently wrote to the South Australian Football League, asking it to postpone its fixtures on that date to permit the international Soccer match to be played at the Adelaide Oval, but at a meeting of the League on Monday evening, the request was refused by a unanimous vote.

The secretary (Mr. F. Marlow) remarked, after having read the letter, that the day in question would be the date of the premiership match.

Mr. F. K. Gould (Sturt): I move, that if there are any ties up to December, the Soccer Association be allowed the next date.

Mr. J. J. Daly (West Torrens): I think we should define our attitude. We should inform the Soccer Association that we stand for the Australian game of football, and we regret that we are unable to comply with their request. There is no doubt that they want to know where we stand, and we should let them know it. We stand for the Australian game. Never mind about Soccer or any other game. I suggest that the letter should be "received," and that we inform this body that we cannot see our way clear to grant this request.

Mr. F. K. Gould (Sturt), in seconding, said: "We have had a hard enough job to get the Cricket Association to give us the Adelaide Oval on the first Saturday in October. Cricket starts in October, and we cannot ask the association to do any more."

Mr. Daly's motion was unanimously agreed to.

"STANDING FOR THE AUSTRALIAN GAME."

"Sport," once a word of limited meaning, has undergone surprising changes in an effort to keep pace with the rapidly growing estimation for athletic prowess which distinguishes the greater part of the modern world. It no longer stands merely for "play" or "mirth," but is accepted fairly generally as comprehending an exceedingly wide range of many virtues. In the vernacular, therefore, a "sport" is a and exemplary candour, a practical philosopher and the friend of all other honest men. Splendid generosity to his opponents is his distinguishing characteristic either in victory or defeat; an heroic modesty governs him in thought, in speech and in deed. Here is a definition of the new meaning of an old word which might be abundantly justified by citations from the speeches of almost any eloquent president of a well-conducted football club. An ideal is set forth which is sufficiently exalted to give to the playing of games a notable moral significance, superadded to the value of active participation in sport as an aid to physical well-being. It would be a lamentable thing if any of the high professions of the sporting fraternity should ever be open to the suspicion of cant.

At its meeting on Monday, the South Australian Football League considered an application from the South Australian Soccer Association for the use of the Adelaide Oval for an "association" football match between the touring Chinese team and "a representative Australian eleven." The League was asked to postpone its own fixture on the day named for this international game. Unfortunately, the date selected by the Soccer Association had been set apart for the local premiership match, and, in view of this fact, the League may have been fully justified in its refusal to accede to the request that it should place the Adelaide Oval at the disposal of the Association—on this day at all events. But that ample measure of toleration which should be part of the sporting spirit might have been expected to influence the League to accompany its refusal by an explanatory statement couched in courteous terms. Such is the nature of the sympathetic bond which has been claimed to exist between all forms of sport, that some compromise might even have been suggested. But, if the Soccer Association had expected a broadminded and kindly response to its communication, it must have been sadly disillusioned; and all whose faith in the fellowship of sport had led them to look for any special display of altruism on the part of the League will share particularly freely in the widespread feeling of displeasure occasioned by the nature of the discussion which preceded the League's decision to "receive" the letter from the Association.

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FOOTBALLERS AND OTHER SPORT.

At a meeting of the Football League on Monday evening the Soccer Association appealed to the former to forego its games one Saturday so that an international Soccer match could be played on the Adelaide Oval, and receive the attention an international game in any branch of sport deserves without being subjected to popular counter-attractions. The application was swept aside as if it were an impertinence to presume upon authority, and so that the applicants should be made to realise the temerity of their request, a delegate moved that they be informed that the League stands for its own game, never mind about Soccer or any other game.

There may not seem any connection between this and lacrosse, but if the autocratic attitude taken is to be regarded as typical of the Football League, it has a far-reaching effect. If one sporting body possesses certain advantages over others, it is entirely foreign to its objects to become arrogant and usurp certain facilities which should be shared equally by all.

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So far as Magpies are concerned, we never hope for a fair deal under present conditions.

We hope to alter those conditions soon.

THE VALUE OF RESERVE TEAMS.

(To the Editor.)

Sir,—One has no need to go beyond the district in which he resides to realise the urgent need of reserve teams to First Grade clubs to improve the standard of play in club matches. How often does one see, through injuries to players, selectors scouting their respective districts in hope of finding players to fill positions rendered vacant? In the event of being unsuccessful, they are compelled to place players into teams in positions in which they are not accustomed. Under such conditions as these, how is the code expected to give bright football to its patrons? It seems strange that conditions as these are allowed to exist while we have players in lower grades capable of coming up. Is it not from these ranks we expect to recruit our players of the future? We followers know that there are many difficult problems ahead to be tackled in bringing the code up to the standard as in other countries. But with stout hearts and co-operation amongst players and supporters with the parent bodies much can be accomplished in giving the public the football they desire.—Yours, etc.,

Granville. S. A. TAYLOR.

MR. REFEREE WRIGHT ANSWERS QUESTION FROM CANTERBURY.

A. and B. are of the same team; A. kicks the ball to B., who is facing his own goal, when a player of the opposing side charges him in the back when he was still in possession of the ball and facing his own goal. Is it a foul?

Answer.

Yes, it would certainly be a foul. The only time a player can be charged in the back is when he wilfully obstructs an opponent, and then the charge must not be too hard. Players, or rather, some players, seem to think that if a player is facing his own goal he can be charged in the back. That is not so, but only under the circumstances I have quoted.

WM. A. WRIGHT.

Abbreviated Laws of the Game.

Eleven players form a team. For positions see team list.

HANDLING THE BALL.—The goalkeepers only may play the ball with their hands, and they only within the penalty area. INTENTIONAL handling only is penalised by a free kick to the opposite side, opponents keeping back ten yards.

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EXTRACTS S.A. NEWSPAPERS

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LETTERS TO PAPERS.

From **James D. Stewart,** Seventh Avenue, St. Peter's: The South Australian Football League refuses to grant a free day to the Soccer Clubs on the visit of the Chinese team to Adelaide to play a test game against an Australian picked team. The League says the Australian game must have preference. That might be so, but it is not showing a true sportsmanlike spirit. There are many years and have two boys playing the Australian game of football. I have never said to them yet that they should play the game the same as their father had played it; I have let them please themselves, as I am not one-eyed, like some Australian footballers. They think we should not play any other code but theirs, but let me say the time is not far off when they will have to take up Soccer if they want to be world's champions in sport, as nearly all countries in the world follow the good old British football game. I say to our football friends: Be sports and be fair to all.

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Orr's Spectacular Goal.

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Orr's Spectacular Goal.

Some good games were witnesssed on headquarters last Saturday. On No. 1 ground Dulwich Hill tried conclusions with Wollongong in the early game, and after a hard struggle in a game which see-sawed first in favour of one team and then in favour of the other, ended with the scores 3 all. This means that Dulwich Hill will have to journey to the coast on the 15th inst. for the replay against Wollongong. W. Orr, the speedy right winger of the Hill team created a surprise by scoring a beautiful goal from the right wing, easy the best seen on the Park this season. Special mention should be given of the game played by the Hillites centre half, R. Wade, who was never found wanting and undoubtedly played the best game on the field, cool and resourceful all through. Wollongong were a fairly balanced team and have a good scoring man playing inside right.

The second game was between Marrickville Avoca (leaders in A grade competition) and Abuurn; this was another keen struggle with Auburn the best team on the day and they deserved their victory of two to one. Auburn has a good citadel minder; he punches and clears well and is always first to a well placed corner kick, towards the end of the game his skill was keenly tested by the Avoca forwards, but repulsed all attacks well.

The other Richardson Cup game in which teams of the M.J.F.A. were interested was between Lidcombe and Canterbury Juniors played at Canterbury, in which Lidcombe won by the odd goal.

The results of these games leave only one M.J.F.A. team in and this team will have to fight hard on the Coast to retain its position. The Hillites were the last team to be knocked out last year, going as far as the semi-final in which they were defeated at Newcastle, and again have that distinction this year.

Other Games.

Other games on Primrose No. 2 were Lilyfield and St. Peters in the C Grade Division L, competition match, which ended in a scoreless draw after a hard fought game. Lilyfield have now won their division and play Pyrmont in the final next Saturday on Primrose No. 1 at 1.45 p.m.

The other game was a replay in the B Grade, Division 2, between Glebe United and Lilyfield owing to the referee abandoning the match the last time these teams met, this game ended in almost a similar manner, through one of the Glebe United players refusing to leave the field after being ordered off by the referee; this occurred just before full time with Lilyfield leading by two goals to one.

Charity Cup.

The only Charity Cup match set down for last Saturday was Marrickville Juniors and St. Peters, two B Grade teams, at Canterbury and after a close game Juniors ran out victors by the narrow margin of one to nil.

Next Council Meeting.

Club Scretaries and Delegates are reminded that Council meets on Tuesday night the 12th inst. at the Deaf and Dumb Hall. Also bear in mind the events to be held on Eight Hour Day, the 1st October, at Primrose Park.

PRIMROSE PARK.

Saturday 8th.

A Grade Canterbury versus Dulwich Hill, this is the star attraction on the scores were one a'l; a good game is looked forward to as both teams are confident on winning, much rests on this game in case Marrickville Avoca go down to Lakemba; if this happens the winner between Dulwich Hill and Canterbury are in striking distance of winning the competition as the Hillites have still to meet the Avocas and are confident of reversing the result of the last time they met.

Dulwich Hill will be without the services of J. Pivott, the right full back, and his absence will be sadly missed; his playing this season has always been of a high standard.

C GRADE FINAL.

The final of the C Grade Competition between Lilyfield and Pyrmont will be the early match, and a good game is looked forward to, both teams have a good record for the season, Lilyfield were only beaten once and played two draws, scoring a possible 32 points out of 36, with a goal average of 47 against 5. Pyrmont also only suffered one defeat and one draw scoring 29 points out of a possible 32 with a goal average of 52 against 9.

COMPETITION TABLE TO DATE.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	B.	Goals. F.	A.	Ps.
*M'ckville ...	12	11	0	1	1	54-	9	25
*Can. Juniors	12	9	1	2	1	51-	10	22
*Dul. Hill ...	12	10	2	0	1	50-	10	22
*Lakemba ...	12	7	4	1	1	27-	16	17
Lilyfield	13	4	5	4	1	16-	15	14
*Cent. Jrs. ...	12	4	5	1	1	16-	36	11

Second Division.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	B.	Goals. F.	A.	Ps.
Pyrmont Ref.	14	4	6	4	2	24-	26	16
Leigh & Co.	14	5	7	2	2	21-	30	16
Y.M.C.A.....	14	5	7	2	2	32-	32	16
Nestanglo ...	14	3	10	1	2	12-	48	11
*5th Field A.	13	0	13	0	2	6-	77	4

"B" GRADE.

Division 1.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	B.	Goals F.	A.	Ps.
Easton Pk ...	14	10	1	3	1	31-	13	25
**Lilyfield ...	12	7	1	4	1	22-	14	20
**Glebe Unit.	12	9	2	1	1	37-	5	21
Lakemba ...	14	6	7	1	1	19-	32	15
***Bal. Fern.	11	4	3	4	1	20-	16	14
*Glebe Arcad.	13	4	6	3	1	18-	26	13
Dulwich H....	14	3	9	2	1	20-	34	10
Newtown ...	14	0	14	0	1	4-	32	2

Division 2.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	B.	Goals. F.	A.	Ps.
An. Altonas	14	11	2	1	0	43-	4	23
M'kville	14	10	1	3	0	48-	8	23
Leichhardt ...	14	9	3	2	0	35-	12	20
B. Gladstones	14	9	4	1	0	43-	21	19
Chester Unit.	14	3	9	2	0	16-	47	8
Sunlight	14	3	9	2	0	20-	46	8
St. Peters ...	14	2	8	4	0	15-	34	8
Y.M.C.A.....	14	1	12	1	0	4-	51	3

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PROGRAMME—IBROX PARK—3.15 p.m.

Granville v. Balmain Scottish

REFEREE: MR. W. WRIGHT.

GRANVILLE
(Black and White Stripes.)
E. Atchison
1—C. Leabeater 2—E. Doherty
3—L. Leabeater 5—H. Spurway
4—J. Comrie (Capt.)
6—H. Winter 10—F. Ramsay
7—S. Bourke 9—H. Milner
8—A. Doerner

BALMAIN SCOTTISH
(Red and White Stripes.)
Davidson
1—James 2—Sinclair
3—Nash 5—Moore
4—Donaghy
6—Wyber 10—R. Berry
7—Hutchison 9—A. Berry
8—Fitzpatrick

RESERVES:
11—R. Henderson 12—W. Watson
13—J. Hedges 14—R. Fairweather
15—A. Henderson

EARLY MATCH—1.45 p.m.
(CRONIN CUP MATCH.)
ANNANDALE ALTONA v. ROZELLE ALBIONS
REFEREE: MR. ALLAN.

"C" GRADE.

Division 1.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	B.	Goals. F.	A.	Ps.
Lilyfield	15	13	1	1	2	47	5	31
St. Peters ...	15	11	1	3	2	43	7	29
Newtown ...	15	11	4	0	2	37	11	26
Warren Avoca	15	5	5	5	2	24	24	19
Warren Iona	15	7	4	4	2	45	14	22
Lakemba.....	15	6	7	2	2	19	33	18
Warren Wdrs.	15	2	13	0	2	10	23	8
Manly	16	2	12	2	1	7	56	8
Wardell Rd.	15	2	12	1	2	8	67	9

Competition Table "C" Grade, Division 2 (Finished).

	P.	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	Ps.
Pyrmont	16	14	1	1	52	9	29
Banksmeadow ...	16	11	3	2	25	14	24
Annandale Rovers	16	12	4	0	36	15	24
Bondi	16	9	3	4	17	21	22
Annandale Fedls.	16	8	7	1	21	21	17
Leichhardt	16	6	8	2	10	25	14
Sunlight	16	4	11	1	11	36	9

TRAINING TO WIN.

By T. A. Langridge.

The real strength of a football team lies in the efficiency and physical fitness of each player, and it is condition that tells in the final test. It is a splendid feeling to know that you are so fit that you can easily do anything that is expected of you on the field; and to know that the players who are taking part with you in the game are in just as perfect a condition as yourself. What confidence this gives! To know you can depend upon them to do the right thing and back you up.

Football demands a very considerable expenditure of energy, and the poorly trained team are never a match for the team who have pre-

comes, as it usually does many times during a match, when he has to make a supreme effort, such as a hard run or a good kick, and where it is the "punch" behind the run or the kick that counts, he may not be found wanting.

A well-trained team which has gone through a course of special exercises to improve the wind and harden the muscles, whilst at the same time increasing their elasticity, as a rule carries all before it. Special exercises strengthen the feet and knees and ankles, and fortify the very parts of the body where the strain of a football match is most felt.

There is an old saying about the onlooker seeing most of the game, and this is very true in Soccer, which to the crowd is becoming an extremely favourite pastime. The looker-on is always interested, especially towards the close of a game, for it is then that the well-trained team must be reckoned with; they are on their toes and are quick to take advantage of any slackness. Often during the final few minutes of play the properly trained team will completely out-play their opponents. Harder muscles, better wind, cooler heads, the ability to finish without effort which stamps the side that has been carefully trained, wins the match.

I am constantly training athletes, and know what a vast difference a course of setting-up exercises makes to a man, and especially to a footballer who has to go his hardest from

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